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SUBJECT: COMPUTERIZATION OF REFUGEE FILES

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1. WHILE WE AGREE IN PRINCIPAL WITH YOUR DESIRE TO COMPUTERIZE YOUR WORKING DATA ON CAMP REFUGEES, WE MUST ASK YOU TO MOVE VERY SLOWLY WHILE WE EXPLORE HOW, WHETHER AND WHEN WE CAN FUND THIS ACTIVITY. THE JVR DOES NOT AND WILL NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO COVER ANY OF THESE COSTS OTHER THAN THE TWO HOURS OF SYSTEMS ANALYSIS. YOU MAY, IF YOU WISH, PROCEED WITH THIS. WE SHOULD HAVE A CLEARER PICTURE OF OUR CIRCUMSTANCES BY THE TIME THAT STEP IS COMPLETED.

2. WE USE A SYSTEM SIMILAR TO THE ONE YOU PROPOSE AND FIND IT A VERY USEFUL MANAGEMENT TOOL. WE ARE SENDING YOU BY AIRPOUCH A COPY OF OUR SYSTEMS DESIGN AND THE VARIOUS FIELD CODING FOR OUR ENTRIES. PERHAPS THIS WILL BE USEFUL
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TO YOU.

3. YOU MIGHT ALSO FIND THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS USEFUL:
(A) WOULD IT BE ANY VALUE IF YOUR COMPUTER FILES CONTAIN

DATA ON ALL REFUGEES IN THE CAMPS?
YOU COULD USE SPECIAL

ID CODING TO IDENTIFY WHICH INDIVIDUALS OR FAMILY GROUPS
ARE PROBABLE U.S. RESETTLEMENTS, THIRD COUNTRY, ETC.
(B) OUR FILES CONTAIN SOME DATA WHICH YOUR CABLE DOES NOT
MENTION. WE HAVE FOUND THIS DATA TO BE OF CONSIDERABLE
VALUE TO US AS WELL AS TO THE VOLAGS:

- (1) VOLAG ID OF SPONSOR (USCC-TOLS-LIRS, ETC.)
- (2) MARITAL AND FAMILY STATUS
- (3) RELIGION
- (4) OCCUPATION (EX-MILITARY ESPECIALLY)
- (5) LANGUAGES SPOKEN AND RELATIVE DEGREE OF ABILITY
- (6) FAMILY UNIT SIZE
- (7) LEVEL OF EDUCATION

4. WE PROMISE A DECISION ASAP. IF WE CAN FINANCE THIS
PROJECT WE WOULD NEED TO SEE WHAT YOUR SYSTEM DESIGN
PROPOSES BEFORE YOU BEGIN: FLOW CHART, DATA ENTRY CARDS,
SAMPLE REPORTS, ETC. WE WANT TO TRY TO MAKE YOUR AND OUR
SYSTEMS AS COMPATIBLE AS POSSIBLE TO GIVE BOTH WIDER
UTILITY. HA, VOLAGS, GENEVA HAVE HAD EXPERIENCE WITH OUR
SYSTEM FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS. VANCE

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